House Environment and Energy Michael O'Grady Subject Areas and Pending Issues

A. Waste Management—Solid Waste, Hazardous Waste, Recycling

- 1. Bottle bill—passed House and Senate last year, but in significantly different forms.
- 2. Landfill management—significant advocate concern about management of landfill and future landfill siting.
- 3. Land application of biosolids—see PFAS issue.
- 4. Petroleum Cleanup Fund; underground storage tanks.

B. Toxic Substances in the Environment

- 1. Perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS)—Act No. 21 of 2019, establishing drinking water and surface water standards; U.S. EPA Strategic Roadmap to regulate across all media.
- 2. Contamination of land from PFAS—land application, deposition, CERCLA issues.
- 3. PCB testing and remediation in schools—report due Jan. 15, 2023.

C. Water Quality

- 1. Ongoing compliance with U.S. EPA Total Maximum Daily Load Plan for Lake Champlain; Clean Water Investment Report.
- 2. Ongoing implementation of State water quality initiative—Clean Water Service Provider implementation; January 2023 summary of grant programs in Clean Water Investment Report.
- 3. Wetlands; pending rule change; standard for mitigation.
- 4. Riparian protection—flood hazard protection area rule; scope of application.
- 5. Aquatic nuisance control—funding; use of waters; nuisance control.

D. Forestry; Land Management

1. Enrollment of Reserve Forestland in Use Value Appraisal; Report submitted Dec. 30, 2022.

E. Fish and Wildlife

1. Moratorium on hunting coyote with dogs--Fish and Wildlife Board Rule Act No. 165 of 2022.

2.	Best Management Practices for Trappingdraft potential recommendations circulated; recommendations due January 15, 2023.